

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Charles R. WEIRAUCH	§	Confirmation No.:	2641
Serial No.:	10/632,575	§	Group Art Unit:	2627
Filed:	07/31/2003	§	Examiner:	N. Z. Hindi
For:	Data Media Having Variable Control Field In Data Units	§	Docket No.:	200314249-1

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Date: January 4, 2007

Sir:

In response to the final Office action of November 9, 2006, please enter this Preliminary Amendment and corresponding Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.